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FOR:

COMPUTER-BASED TEST-ITEM GENERATION AND CLONING

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- 3. VERIFIED STATEMENT BY NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS, 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9(f) and 1.27(d); and
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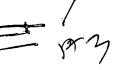
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**Title** 

Computer-based item generation

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